

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 - 22. (Canceled).

23. (New) A laminate comprising:

a surface material including a surface resin material, a resin conducting layer, and a fabric material, the resin conducting layer including a venting structure that allows for the venting of gases during processing of the laminate; and

at least one layer of a fiber reinforced molding material including a fiber reinforced resin material, wherein during processing of the laminate in a mold having a surface, a minimum viscosity of the surface resin material is higher than a minimum viscosity of the fiber reinforced resin material to retain the surface resin material on the mold surface.

24. (New) A laminate material according to claim 23 wherein the resin conducting layer contains fibrous material weighing between 10 and 200g/m².

25. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the resin conducting layer has a fine weave structure to reduce the tendency for the formation of surface irregularities.

26. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the resin conducting layer is adapted to move through the surface resin material during processing of the surface material to provide a gas venting route in a direction approximately perpendicular to the mold surface.

27. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the thickness of the resin conducting layer is larger than the thickness of the surface resin layer.

28. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the resin conducting layer is adapted to move through the surface resin layer during processing of the surface material.

29. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the reinforcement resin material includes higher glass transition temperature properties than the glass transition temperature properties of the surface resin material.

30. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the surface resin material and the reinforcement resin material include such thermal expansion properties that thermal stresses are dissipated in the surface material.

31. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the surface resin material includes a gel coat resin material.

32. (New) A laminate material according to Claim 23 wherein the surface resin material is non-homogeneous so as to adapt the properties of the surface material to the properties of the molding material to avoid interfacial stresses between the molding material and the surface material.